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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of:	Gary P. Schroth	Confirmation No.:	6226
Serial No.:	10/087,411	Art Unit:	1634
Filed:	March 1, 2002	Examiner:	Arun K. Chakrabarti
For:	METHODS OF USING UNNATURAL NUCLEOBASES FOR DECODING		Attorney Docket No: 9584-030-999

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 35 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant has carefully considered the non-final Office Action mailed April 25, 2003, in connection with the above-captioned application. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendment and remarks that follow is kindly solicited.